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Applicant(s) : RENNER, Hermann et al.  
Filed : 04/23/2003  
TC/A.U. : 1754  
Examiner : JOHNSON, Edward M.  
Title : Method for Regenerating Platinum Group Metal Suspension Catalysts  
Docket No. : 32301W250  
Customer No. : 25461

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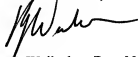
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In support of this Request, attached is a copy of Applicants' Second Request for Corrected Filing Receipt and Notice of Acceptance filed electronically on July 12, 2006, together with the PTO's Acknowledgement Receipt.

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Respectfully submitted,



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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP00/06301 07/05/2000

## Foreign Applications

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**Title**

Method for regenerating platinum group metal suspension catalysts

**Preliminary Class**

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Also attached are copies of our Request for Corrected Filing Receipt and Notice of Acceptance filed via facsimile transmission on April 27, 2004, together with the PTO's Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission, acknowledging receipt of our Request.

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# CESS FOR THE REGENERATION OF PLATINUM UP METAL SUSPENSION CATALYSTS

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viewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.  
 I pledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign and PCT application(s) for patent or inventor's  
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199 40 127.6	Germany	August 24, 1999	Yes
199 40 459.3	Germany	August 25, 1999	Yes

claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 or §365(c) of any United States application and PCT international application designating the  
 States of America listed in this Declaration and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United  
 application or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to  
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Date: January 25, 2002

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LETTER TO EXAMINER

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements received for this case, Applicants are filing herewith an executed Declaration. The second Applicant, Hans Herzog, signed the Declaration on page 2. However, since the signature line was inadvertently omitted, Mr. Herzog executed the Declaration on the signature line above his name.

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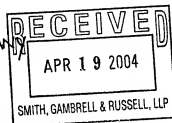
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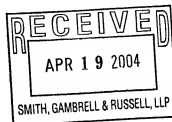
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